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SUBJECT: MARITIME AIR AND LAND TRANSPORT PROJECTS: EARLY WARNING

1. PRESS ANNOUNCED JUNE 11 THAT STEERING COMMITTEE OF PLANNING BOARD AGREED TO ADD TO CURRENT INVESTMENT PROGRAM NUMBER OF NEW MARITIME, AIR AND LAND TRANSPORT PROJECT FOR WHICH 276 MILLION DOLLARS HAVE BEEN ALLOCATED.
2. MARITIME TRANSPORT COMPANY PROJECTS INCLUDE PURCHASE OF 16 COASTAL VESSELS OF LEADING CAPACITY BETWEEN 3 TO 13 THOUSAND TONS AND PALM OIL TANKER WITH LOADING CAPACITY OF 7 THOUSAND TONS FOR WHICH A SUM OF 143 MILLION DOLLARS HAS BEEN ALLOCATED.
3. RAILWAYS PROJECT INCLUDE THE PURCHASE OF 51 LARGE LOCOMOTIVES AND 1200 MISCELLANEOUS BAGGAGE CARS.
4. LAND TRANSPORT PROJECT INCLUDE PURCHASE OF HEAVY LOAD TRUCKS WITH TRAILERS AND SPARE PARTS.
5. IRAQI AIRWAYS PROJECTS INCLUDE PURCHASE OF LAND EQUIPMENT AND THE BUILDING OF A MODERN WAITING ROOM AT AL-MUTHANNA AIRPORT, BAGHDAD.
6. POST WILL FORWARD FURTHER DETAILS WHEN TENDERS ISSUED. GATCH

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